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To: Federal Communications Commission

Re: Proceeding 04-233

From: Chris Webb

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To Whom It May Concern:

This is in regards to your plans to expand Low Power FM (LPFM) service.

I am opposed to such an expansion.

I am concerned about the effect that it will have on the national services broadcast on FM translators. I almost exclusively listen to these national broadcasts (95% of my commute time of almost 2 hours per day). These FM translator broadcasts are particularly important since my commute spans three main regions. Being able to listen to the same programming is very important to me. Specifically, I listen to **AIR 1** on 90.7 (Santa Cruz), 88.9 (Los Gatos), 100.9 (San Jose), 96.3 (Salinas/Monterey); **K-LOVE** on 91.9 (San Jose), 103.1 (Santa Cruz/Morgan Hill); or the **Calvary Satellite Network (CSN)** on 91.1 (Santa Cruz) 95.9 (Soquel) 88.1 (Los Gatos/San Jose) 98.3 (Salinas).

I would like to emphasize that:

- 1. Both AIR 1 and K-LOVE **serve me as a resident of my local community** because they provide commercial-free music programming that I have never found in a local station. CSN serves me as a resident of my local community because it provides religious programming of speakers and programs that I would not be able to hear otherwise. And most importantly, I am able to listen to the same programming throughout my average-length commute as a result of these FM translators being placed to cover key geographical areas.
- 2. **If AIR 1, K-LOVE, and CSN were displaced by LPFM broadcasters**, the San Francisco and Monterey Bay areas would lose three great sources of programming and the ability to receive the same programming in different areas of their commutes.
- 3. The services provided by AIR 1, K-LOVE, and CSN are definitely in the public interest as they provide music and religious messages that are positive, uplifting, and encouraging, unlike several local alternatives. I doubt that they would be replaced with similar programming. Furthermore, the ability to listen to the same radio station over a 30-45 mile commute is a great advantage in areas that are difficult to cover evenly with a single radio station due to unique geographical features.

For these reasons, I urge you to not expand the LPFM service.

Sincerely,